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Covering The News In Connecticut's Northwest Corner And Its Environs Since 1897

Election officials report tepid response to early voting debut

By Debra A. Aleksinas

After months of intensive planning and training, election officials across the Northwest Corner were staffed and ready to launch early in-person voting on Tuesday, March 26 for the April 2 Presidential Preference Primary.

Patriotic "Early Voting Today" signs beckoned residents. New equipment and procedures were in place. The voters trickled in.

Despite tepid voter response during the early voting rollout, which poll workers attributed to lack of a strong contest on either the Republican or Democratic ballot, they welcomed the time to work out glitches and meet with and educate voters.

The jury was still out as to whether the expense to staff four early voting days, designed to take pressure off long lines on Election Day and give more flexibility to voters, exceeds the need in the smaller communities.

The Lakeville Journal visited the polling sites of all six Region One towns during early voting launch last week.

The early voting dates for this election were modified to reflect the Good Friday holiday and Easter Sunday. Early voting was held Tuesday, March 26 through Thursday, March 28 and Saturday, March 30. Presidential Preference Primary



PHOTO BY KARIN GERSTEL

Lisa Sheble, shown here depositing her ballot, was the first person in Salisbury to take advantage of early voting on Tuesday, March 26.

Day was Tuesday, April 2.

Here are snapshots of how the towns fared:

Cornwall

"Slow. Slow's the word," is how Scott Cady, moderator at Cornwall's town hall voting site, described voter response during the first two hours of the historic first day of early voting on March 26.

Jean Bouteiller, the town's tax collector, had cast the town's historic first early ballot. "We had seven total by noon," noted Republican Registrar Brittany Mosimann. The next day the pace was even slower

with seven ballots cast by 3 p.m.

"But everything is working," said an optimistic Cady, who noted that it was a good test of logistics. "When the fall comes, we don't want to be learning."

Registrar Jayne Ridgway noted that each town received \$10,500 in state grant funding to offset the costs of training, staffing and equipment including a label maker, scanner and new laptops. But once those funds dry up, she said, the town will be footing the bill.

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CT bills would fight teacher shortage by changing pay, certification

By Jessika Harkay
CT Mirror

Legislation passed out of the Education Committee last week would raise starting salaries for educators and make it easier to obtain teacher certification, measures that some lawmakers hope will address teacher shortages and aid ongoing efforts to recruit and retain a diverse teacher workforce in Connecticut.

Language in Senate Bill 381 and House Bill 5348 proposes using state subsidies to raise the starting salary for educators up to \$60,000 and to \$45,000 for paraeducators, respectively.

But the bills could face an uphill battle due to their cost at a time when Gov. Ned Lamont and



PHOTO BY JESSICA HARKAY/CT MIRROR

Sen. Doug McCrory, D-Hartford, urged students to apply for the Aspiring Educators Diversity Scholarship Program

legislative leaders are hesitant to step outside the state's so-called fiscal guardrails and others, like social service agencies and higher education institutions, are also competing for more state funding. State subsidies, through the Office of Policy and Management, would

be responsible for compensating school districts for the costs of the higher salaries, according to language in the bills.

"The situation we have here is systemic. It has been in place for a long time, and we could have done a lot more about this but we have sat on hands and knees and did nothing," said Sen. Doug McCrory, co-chair of the Education Committee. "Research shows us that we have barriers in place that have made it very difficult to diversify this teaching population."

Salary increases

TEACH Connecticut, a nonprofit that's partnered with the state education department to recruit more educators into the field, reported that the average starting salary for teachers is around \$43,000 — a key issue in terms of recruitment, retention and diversi-

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Salisbury approves Dresser Woods affordable housing

By Patrick L. Sullivan

SALISBURY — The Planning and Zoning Commission (P&Z) voted unanimously to approve a special permit for the Dresser Woods affordable housing development after the third installment of a public hearing on Monday, April 1.

The April 1 continued hearing concentrated on two topics: lighting and parking.

The initial plan from the applicant, the Salisbury Housing Committee (SHC) called for 31 parking spaces (10 in an overflow area) for an average of 1.5 parking spaces per unit,

more than required by zoning regulations and similar to other affordable housing complexes in Salisbury and other towns.

The approved plan calls for a total of 36 spaces, for an average of 1.8 spaces per unit. The SHC added five spaces in response to concerns from the public and the commission about a lack of parking for residents with more than one vehicle and for visitors.

The SHC also revised the lighting plan, making the light poles 12 feet tall (as opposed to 20 feet in the earlier version). This was in response to con-

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Changing the food waste narrative

By Barbara Bettigole
Special to The Journal

An apple stored in a refrigerator stays fresh several days longer than an apple in a bowl of fruit on your counter — particularly if that bowl has a banana or an avocado in it.

Bananas, by the way, are the fruit most frequently thrown away uneaten, due to the perception that the discoloration and softness means "icky" or "inedible." (Tip: make banana bread, or store in your freezer for a smoothie.)

Bearing in mind that close to 40% of all food produced in the U.S. goes uneaten, and that one

third of all garbage is food waste, it is good to know what one can do about reducing food waste.

This week is Food Waste Prevention Week (April 1 to 7), and many communities across the country engage in activities that promote awareness of wasted food. Why does it matter?

There are several reasons. For one, it saves money. Every year Americans lose more than \$218 billion on wasted food. Individual households are responsible for most of that wasted food.

Second, when wasted food is

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PHOTO BY RILEY KLEIN

Full swing

HVRHS softball began the 2024 season with senior captain Anne Moran on the mound at home against Wilcox Technical High School Saturday, March 30. Full story on Page A4.



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Rec Commission seeks solutions

Falls Village is considering new uses for the Town Farm. More on www.lakevillejournal.com

POLICE BLOTTER: TROOP B

The following information was provided by the Connecticut State Police at Troop B. All suspects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Evading responsibility

On Saturday, March 23, at approximately 1 p.m., Jesse Morey, 42, of Salisbury, turned himself in to Troop B on an active arrest warrant for an incident that occurred on Dec. 12, 2023. He was arrested for evading responsibility of a motor vehicle accident and failure to drive upon right and was scheduled to appear in Connecticut Superior Court.

McDonald's stop arrest

On Sunday, March 24, at approximately 8:30 a.m., Troop B personnel were investigating a motor vehicle stop in the parking lot of McDonald's in North Canaan. During the investigation it was discovered that the operator, Taylor Charles Wil-

son, 34, of Canaan, had an active warrant issued for failure to appear in the second degree. Wilson was taken into custody with bond set at \$5,000, of which 10 percent was paid, and was scheduled to appear at a later date.

Disorderly conduct arrest

On Wednesday, March 27, at approximately 10:50 p.m., Troopers from Troop B were dispatched to Main Street in North Canaan for a disturbance. A subsequent investigation led to the arrest of Kenneth Considine, 67, of North Canaan, on a disorderly conduct charge. Considine was issued a \$1,500 non-surety bond.

The Lakeville Journal will publish the outcome of police charges. Contact us by mail at P.O. Box 1688, Lakeville, CT 06039, Attn: Police Blotter, or send an email, with "police blotter" in the subject line, to johnc@lakevillejournal.com

Easter organ music April 5

SALISBURY — The Congregational Church of Salisbury will present its monthly First Friday Music program on Friday, April 5 at 12 p.m. at 30 Main Street, Salisbury. The Meeting House will open at 11:30 a.m., and masks are optional.

This month's program will feature Easter organ

music favorites, including the Widor Toccata, and Cortège et Litanie by Marcel Dupré, performed by music director David Baranowski.

Free to the public, Music Director David Baranowski's musical gift provides a time of reflection surrounded by inspiring, soul-nourishing classical repertory.

Spring vaccine clinic April 24

CORNWALL — A Covid-19 vaccine clinic will be setup Wednesday, April 24, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Town Hall.

The clinic will be open to all adults over the age of 18. Insurance card and photo ID are required. Pfizer and Moderna vaccines are expected to be available. No appointment necessary.

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Students share historical research

By Patrick L. Sullivan

SALISBURY — A group of Salisbury Central School middle school students examining "Turning Points in History" have compiled their work for a display at the Salisbury Association's Academy Building.

The students participated in a History Day competition at Lewis Mills High School in Burlington on March 16.

One exhibit, by Aria Belter, Rozelynd Lachance, Miguel Santiago and Leah Wilcox, chose the work of fashion designer Coco Chanel because "her way of changing the industry changed the way people

dress."

The group detailed exactly how they proceeded with their research.

Garrett Meindl's topic was "The First Motor Powered Car," to wit the Benz Motorwagen, built in 1885 in Germany by Karl Benz.

"It was the first motorcar, and the first one in production too."

Meindl continued: "In 1888 his wife took it from Mannheim to Pforzheim, which is 56.17196 miles, so it proved it wasn't weak."

There are three videos in the exhibit, only one of which was available on Friday, March 29 when the Lakeville Journal visited.



PHOTO BY JAMES H. CLARK

Students from Salisbury Central School presented history projects at Lewis Mills High School last month.

"The Tragedy We Call 9/11," by Michael Parris and Vincent Valcin, contains in-

terviews with people who lived in New York City and in Salisbury on Sept. 11, 2001.

The video won second place in the regional contest, so the filmmakers were invited to the statewide competition on May 4.

The other two videos are "A Brief History of Written Language" by Theodore Kneeland and "Turning Points in Animation" by Niki Clark and Cole Johnson. The latter took third place and will also go to the state competition.

The Salisbury Association covered the entry fees for the regional competition and will do so for the state event as well.

Town Farm overrun with egg hunters

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — A brisk and chilly wind made no difference to the 25 or so children gathered at the Town Farm property, primed for Easter egg hunting, Saturday morning, March 30.

Emily Peterson and Dan Carr separated the children into two groups: under the age of six, and everybody else.

Showing considerable discipline, the older children waited patiently as Peterson allowed the smaller contingent to go first.

After a few minutes, Carr gave the go-ahead, and there was a surge of youngsters into the playground and adjacent fields.

The adults huddled around the pool entrance, trying vainly to avoid the wind, and indulging in coffee and baked goods from the Lee H. Kellogg School eighth graders.

Afterwards, as the children opened the plastic eggs and assessed their hauls, Peterson trooped around with some additional eggs, to make sure everybody got something.



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Young egg hunters rushed across the Town Farm.

LEGAL NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE

A certified list(s) of party-selected candidates for the Republican Party in the Town of Salisbury for participation as DELEGATES to the convention(s) of said Party specified below is on file in my office at 27 Main Street, Salisbury, Connecticut and copies are available for public distribution:

- CONVENTION(S)
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- 2024 State Senate Convention 30th District
- 2024 State Convention 64th House District
- Patricia H. Williams
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LEGAL NOTICE TAX COLLECTOR TOWN OF SALISBURY CT

Pursuant to Sec. 12-145 of the Connecticut State Statutes, the taxpayers of the Town of Salisbury are hereby notified that the fourth installment on the Grand List of October 1, 2022 is due and payable on April 1, 2024. Payments must be received or postmarked by May 1, 2024. If said Real Estate and Personal Property taxes are not paid on or before May 1, 2024, interest at the rate of one and one half percent (18% per year) will be added for each month or a fraction thereof which elapses from the time when such tax becomes due and payable until the same

is paid. Minimum interest charge is \$2.00.

Pursuant to Section 12-173 of the Connecticut State Statutes, unpaid Real Estate tax on the Grand List of October 1, 2022 will be LIENED on JUNE 3, 2024. Payment must be received by 12:00 p.m. on June 3, 2024 to avoid a Lien. Tax Office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9am-4pm. Closed 12:30pm-1:30 pm.

Taxes can be paid by mail addressed to: Tax Collector, P.O. Box 338, 27 Main Street, Salisbury, CT 06068. There is a drop box in the vestibule of the Town Hall which is available 9am-4pm, Monday-Friday as well as a 24-hour drop slot at the rear of the building adjacent to the parking area. The Town is urging taxpayers to mail checks or use the option of paying by credit card or E-Check. Please see the Town website salisburyct.us for additional information. Dated at Town of Salisbury, CT this 11th day of March 2024.

Jean F. Bell, CCMC
Tax Collector
Salisbury CT 06068
03-21-24
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04-25-24

Legal Notice

The Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Salisbury will hold a Public Hearing on Special Permit Application #2024-0241 by owner Fransam LLC (Peter D'Aprile) for retail, multifamily, personal service, and parking flexibility at 20 Main Street, Salisbury, Map 54, Lot 20 per Sections 205.2 and 703.8 of the Salisbury Zoning Regulations. The hearing will be held on Monday, April 15, 2024 at 6:45 PM. There is no physical location for this meeting. This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom where interested persons can listen to & speak on the matter. The application, agenda and meeting instructions will be listed at www.salisburyct.us. Written comments may be submitted to the Land Use Office, Salisbury Town Hall, 27 Main Street, P.O. Box 548,

Salisbury, CT or via email to landuse@salisburyct.us. Paper copies may be reviewed Monday through Thursday between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:30 PM.

Salisbury Planning & Zoning Commission
Martin Whalen, Secretary
04-04-24
04-11-24

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF

MARGARET C. RIISKA
Late of North Canaan
AKA Margaret Cecelia Riiska
(24-00157)

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated March 26, 2024, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

The fiduciary is:
William O. Riiska, William O. Riiska, 3 Farnam Road, PO Box 1340, Lakeville, CT 06039

Megan M. Foley
Clerk
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF

MARY E. MONNIER
Late of North Canaan
(24-00159)

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The fiduciary is:
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Canaan, CT 06018

Megan M. Foley
Clerk
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Biodiversity Depends on us: How to Make your Yard a Pollinator Paradise

An illustrated talk by Michal Nadeau and Michelle Alfandari
Sponsored by The Sharon Energy and Environment Commission

Sharon Historical Society
Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 7PM

Mike Nadeau is one of New England's leading authorities on creating sustainable and ethical landscapes. Mike has extensive experience creating meadows and restoring tired, degraded land to health and productivity.

Michelle Alfandari is the co-founder with Doug Tallamy of Homegrown National Park, a grassroots effort to regenerate biodiversity and ecosystem function by planting native plants.

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Our Towns

Sharon considers lease proposal for 99 North Main

By Leila Hawken

SHARON — Envisioning future improvement of the former Community Center building to serve as affordable housing, the Board of Selectmen discussed three options at their regular meeting on Tuesday, March 26.

Members of the Sharon Housing Trust were present to discuss the draft of a 75-year lease agreement between their organization and the town, although discussion widened to include options whereby the town might sell the building to the Housing Trust, or simply make it a gift.

The town presently owns the three rental apartment buildings adjacent to the Community Center building that stands at 99 North Main Street, west of Sharon Center School. The three adjacent town-owned apartment buildings are at 91, 93 and 95 North Main. Under the plans, the four rental housing apartment buildings would stand on one footprint of land.

The Housing Trust has proposed through public meetings that the former Community Center be converted into four affordable apartments, offering several advantages, including proximity to shopping and to the school for young families.

To make progress with design phases and funding applications, the Housing Trust must demonstrate, however, that their organization has control of the building at 99 North Main.

“We are interested in converting the building, but we need site control,” said Larry Moskowitz, representing the Housing Trust.

To pursue funding applications through the state Department of Housing (DOH) or to apply for a state Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), town administrative involvement is necessary, although there is no financial obligation for the town. The DOH requires that the Housing Trust have site control; the CDBG program does not.

“There is no obligation on the part of the town. A town official just needs to participate in the project,” said Bob Whelan, Housing Trust member.

First Selectman Casey Flanagan, exploring alternatives to the lease arrangement, asked what incentive the town has to hold on to the building and what liability might the town face by holding on for the long life of the lease.

“In recent years the town did not want to give up the building adjacent to the school,” former selectman

Dale Jones recalled, “but there were not a lot of options for its future use. Now the times have changed.”

Continuing discussion, Flanagan asked the selectmen whether they want to pursue the lease or do they want to counter with another idea.

Selectwoman Lynn Kearcher leaned toward favoring a lease feeling that the project represented a point of town pride. Selectman John Brett inclined toward selling the building to the Housing Trust. A third option to donate the building to the Housing Trust was briefly considered.

Flanagan indicated that he would confer with Town Attorney Randall DiBella about the lease agreement and other options that might be possible.

Committees formed

“As the town has gotten bigger, the town garage has gotten smaller,” Flanagan said, joining with the selectmen in unanimously voting to form a six-member building committee to study the construction of a new town garage.

The vote was also unanimous to form a 17-member Long Range Planning Committee, an advisory group that will evaluate and prioritize immediate and long-range issues facing the town.

Teachers take the stage

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — Students and members of the community had a chance to see teachers and staffers in a new light during the Housatonic Faculty Theater Society’s staged reading of “12 Angry Jurors” at Housatonic Valley Regional High School Thursday, March 28.

The play, originally called “12 Angry Men,” was written by Reginald Rose and first performed in 1954. It follows jury deliberations in a homicide trial, and addresses topics such as race, prejudice, capital punishment and the burden of proof.

John Christinat (Technology Education) played Juror No. 8, the only juror to vote against conviction at the start of the play.

The primary antagonists are Juror No. 3, played by English teacher Damon Osora, and Juror No. 10, handled by Social Studies teacher Deron Bayer.

The reading took



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

HVRHS teachers in “12 Angry Jurors” March 28.

place in Room 133, which is a small amphitheater-style room, or a “thrust stage” in theater terms, with a minimal set. The performers and audience were thus very close.

The show was a fundraiser for the Class of 2027. Bayer is the faculty adviser for the class.

In a phone interview Sunday, March 31, Bayer said as class advisor he is always brainstorming with the students on how to raise funds for senior year activities.

He had also been thinking about establishing a faculty and staff theater group.

This year the stars aligned.

“It was a good excuse” to get the ball rolling on

the theater group. Thinking about material, he realized he had the components of the cast of “12 Angry Jurors” at hand.

Bayer shrugged off the title of “director,” preferring “facilitator.”

He said the cast rehearsed a couple days a week for a total of six or seven rehearsals.

The advantage of a staged reading as opposed to memorizing the script is that the show can be ready to go much faster. Plus, the actors all have busy lives.

Bayer said that teachers with little or no formal dramatic experience are more ready to make the leap than they might think.

“Teachers are on stage all the time.”

Little Rascals summer program seeks new activity director

By Leila Hawken

SHARON — Since it began in the 1970s providing summer employment for local youth and summer activities for local youngsters, the Little Rascals program is gearing up for what is hoped to be a successful 2024 summer season under a new director and staff.

The search for a new Little Rascals director is underway, according to Sharon Parks and Recreation Director Matt Andrulis Mette, who paused work for an interview on Wednesday, March 27, held at the Town Beach at Mudge Pond on a drizzly gray morning.

The affordable program offers families who live or work in Sharon a viable option for supervised programming serving children aged 5-12, and it begins immediately following the end of the school year. And, for older teens and college-age staff,

Little Rascals offers employment and resume-enhancing experience.

From 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday participants take part in a long day of activities, the program offers swim lessons, arts and crafts, sporting activities, theme days and more, depending on the talents presented by the Director and staff. (Half-day rates are also offered)

Appealing to young families living in Sharon, the program has always welcomed families who work in town, such as at Sharon Hospital where it has been a valuable resource for hospital employees.

In recent years, however, enrollment numbers have declined.

“Now there are fewer kids in town and fewer people on the hospital staff,” Andrulis Mette said.

In the early years, the program was self-funded, the in-

come from fees being sufficient to maintain operations, Andrulis Mette said. But as of four years ago, the town began contributing funds to support the programs, including bus transportation.

And then, two summers ago, Andrulis Mette recalled, when income dropped during the pandemic, the town contributed funds to support the salaries of the director and assistant director. In past years, those two leadership positions were often filled by former staff members who returned as adults, Andrulis Mette said.

Looking to the future, Andrulis Mette is studying a model where the program

might become nonprofit and offer year-round programming.

“Forming a nonprofit would not happen in time for this summer, however,” Andrulis Mette said. “I’ve had ten people ask about the program for this year, hoping it will be offered.”

Speaking for the Parks and Recreation Department, Andrulis Mette said, “We think the town needs to fund it.”

Andrulis Mette estimated at least 17 kids must be enrolled for the program to financially survive. He said that few kids are there for the beginning of summer, generally waiting until after July

4 to join the program. After that, Little Rascals breaks even, but the program does not make up the loss experienced in the early few weeks.

“It’s low-key; it’s why people want it. It’s a small-town version of a Town Beach,” Andrulis Mette said. “We recognize the challenges of attracting and keeping young families and the need for affordable housing.”

“You need amenities like Little Rascals if you want people to join the community,” Andrulis Mette said.

The details of the program for 2024 have yet to be determined and will be designed by the new director and assistant director once hired.

“While I am responsible, I have not been involved on a daily basis,” Andrulis Mette said, adding that former longtime Director Liz Cash has offered to help with transition.

By May 1, Andrulis Mette hopes to have found the new director so that May can be devoted to rounding up young staff members.

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Cold start for Housatonic softball

By Riley Klein

FALLS VILLAGE — Housatonic Valley Regional High School softball lost the 2024 season opener 16-2 against Wilcox Technical High School Saturday, March 30.

HVRHS fell behind early, and Wilcox rode the wave of momentum comfortably to a win. The Mountaineer team that went on a generational playoff run last year began the new season with a wake-up call.

The opening day match was met with brisk conditions, about 39 degrees with heavy winds gusting throughout the game. Blanket-wrapped fans filled the foul lines with even more setting up behind the backstop.

Wilcox took no time to warm up and came out of the gate swinging. After two innings, HVRHS was down 7-0.

Mountaineer pitcher Anne Moran seemed to shake off the cold by the top of the third and HVRHS put the Wilcox batters out in order. HVRHS got on the board in the bottom of the third when Abby White reached home. Kylie Leonard quickly added a second run by winning a stare-down with the catcher and stealing home plate.

Wilcox responded in the



Bundled up fans watched as Grace Riva hit a triple for HVRHS March 30.

fourth inning and added seven more runs. HVRHS was held scoreless for the remainder of the game.

Wilcox tacked on two more in the sixth inning to bring the final score to 16-2. All nine of Wilcox's starters reached home base at least once in the game.

Grace Riva led HVRHS offensively by hitting a triple.



PHOTOS BY RILEY KLEIN

Kent falls 4-2 in season opener

By Lans Christensen

KENT — Kent School varsity baseball opened the 2024 season at home Saturday, March 30, against Avon Old Farms School.

A sunny spring afternoon greeted both teams as the first pitch was thrown at 2:30 p.m.

It was clear from the start that both teams had very capable pitchers. Andrew Volgende of Kent, and Owen Callaghan of Avon, were striking out their opposing batters with steady control.

The third inning was the turning point for Avon: Van Liott got a walk and then stole second. Then with bases loaded Stefano Pietrantonio drove in two runs. Connor Naspo followed suit by driving in two more and at the end of the third Avon led Kent 4-0.

Kent pitcher Volgende regained control and held Avon to the games end.

In the 6th inning, Kent got on the board. Leo DiGiulian was walked and Fionn Keon reached first on an infield hit. Andrew Hess then stepped up and brought them both home on a double.

The game ended 4-2 in favor of Avon, a tight seven-inning game that was marked by excellent pitchers on both teams.



Kent pitcher Andrew Volgende settled into his rhythm over the course of the game.



Avon's Stefano Pietrantonio brought in two runs with bases loaded in the third inning.

UConn men and women make Final Four

By Riley Klein

The Huskies are howling. University of Connecticut's mens and womens teams have each advanced to the NCAA Tournament's championship weekend.

The men have won every March Madness game by double digits for the last two years. The streak is now up to 10 consecutive tournament games, led by 7'2" star center Donovan Clingan from Bristol.

The women advanced to the final four after defeating top ranked (4) University of Southern California 80-73 in the Elite Eight.

The men will play (4) Alabama Saturday, April 6 in the Final Four.

The women will play Caitlin Clark and (1) Iowa Friday, April 5.

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OBITUARIES

Thomas A. Burns

MILLERTON — Thomas (Tom) A. Burns, Sr., 85, of the Army, Tom was employed by Taconic Telephone for 35 years.



Tom was born on April 2, 1938, in Poughkeepsie, New York, to the

late Thomas H. and Catherine (Flood) Burns. Tom, a loyal husband, devoted father and caring grandfather and great-grandfather, is survived by his wife, Judith (Judy), of nearly 63 years. Together, they raised their beloved son, Thomas (Donna) Burns of Hudson, New York. Tom leaves behind two grandchildren, Sarah (Chris) Hensel of Castleton, New York, and Jennifer Burns of Hudson, New York, and two great-grandchildren, Addison and Julia Hensel.

Tom graduated from Webutuck Central School in 1955 and proudly served in the United States Army from 1961 to 1963 as an instructor and honor guard in Fort Gordon, Georgia, and Fort Dix, New Jersey, and as a Senior Rifleman of the Beverly National Cemetery Firing Squad. Tom was commended for his tact, loyalty, resourcefulness, and dependability, which won the respect and admiration of all with whom he served. Following his honorable discharge from

the Army, Tom was employed by Taconic Telephone for 35 years. Tom was considered a native son of Millerton, through and through. He served on the Millerton Fire Department for over 25 years, was a member of the American Legion Post #178, the Millerton Lions Club, the Millerton Gun Club, and the North East Historical Society. Tom was an avid gardener, a talented craftsman, and an enthusiastic sports fan. Tom took pride in his Irish heritage, and he was known for his humility and grit. He will be dearly missed by his family and friends, but his memory will live on in every seed they plant, every home repair they make, and every Giants win.

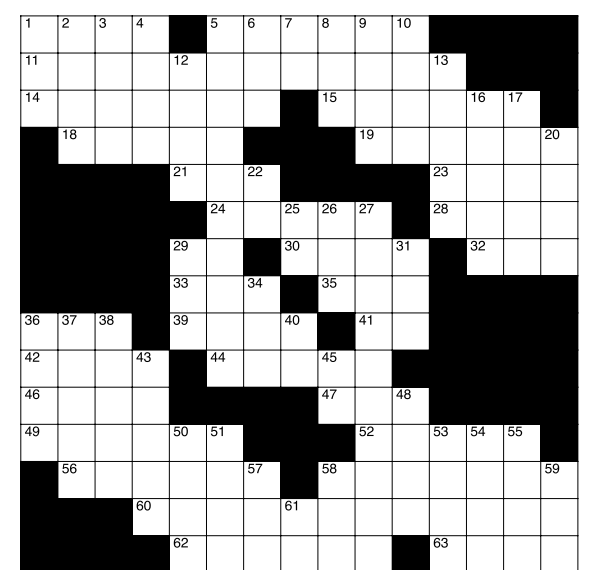
Private family visitation and a funeral service will take place this week at the Scott D. Conklin Funeral Home, 37 Park Avenue, Millerton, NY 12546. Reverend Robert K. Wilson will officiate. Burial with Standard Military Honors will follow at Irondale Cemetery in Millerton. Memorial contributions may be made to the Community Hospice, 295 Valley View Blvd., Rensselaer, NY 12144. To send an online condolence to the family or plant a tree in Tom's memory, please visit www.conklinfuneralhome.com

Madison "Maddog" Dewitt hit fourth in the lineup for the Mountaineers.

Brain Teasers

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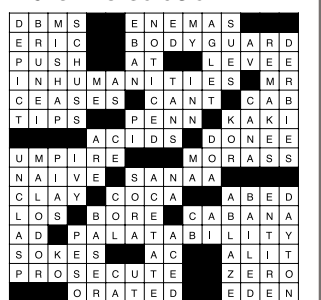
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11. Shortening
14. More satisfying
15. Other side
18. Philippine island
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23. Famed designer Chanel
24. Makes less wild
28. At some prior time
29. The cops who investigate the cops
30. Immune system response
32. Distress signal
33. Engine additive
35. "No Scrubs" trio
36. Very fast airplane
39. A reward (archaic)
41. Commercial
42. Spots where golfers start
44. Polite form of address (Indian)
46. French river
47. Reduce the light
49. Blood-sucking fly
52. A way to categorize
56. Procrastinates
58. Tall slender tower
60. Where researchers work
62. Office of the Pope
63. Office furnishing



16. Suffix plural
17. Painting technique
20. Small Eurasian deer
22. Mr. T character
25. Microsoft
26. Shock therapy
27. Able to be sold
29. A doctrine
31. These three follow A
34. Pulse
36. Quantitative fact
37. Doctor ___: children's book author
38. Hebrew calendar month
40. Designated hitter
43. Norther Poland village
45. A passport is one form
48. Hand (Spanish)
50. Hit with the open hand

51. Actor Idris
53. Shakespeare's nickname "The ___"
54. Northern U.S. lake
55. Marvin and Horsley are two
57. Soak
58. Partner to cheese
59. Expression of disappointment
61. College dorm employee

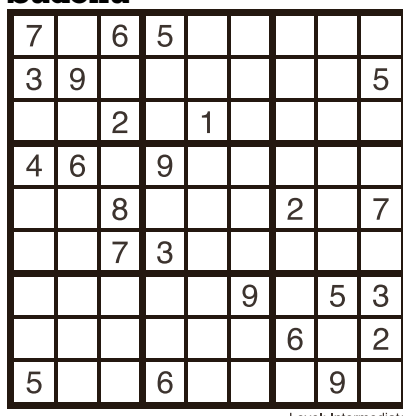
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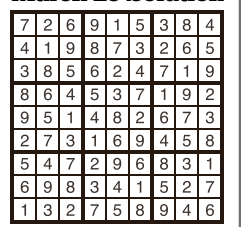
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2. American Board of Orthopedic Surgery
3. Ancient Syrian city
4. Clip
5. In a way, misleads
6. Human gene
7. The Golden State (abbr.)
8. Lizard genus
9. Parasites that invade the skin
10. Took apart
12. Mild yellow Dutch cheese
13. S. California town

Sudoku



March 28 Solution



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OBITUARIES

John L. Frenkel

SALISBURY — John L. Frenkel of Cobble Road, passed away on Monday, March 25, 2024, at Noble Horizons. He was the loving brother of Emily Soell who makes her home in Sharon.



John was born on Dec. 30, 1941, in New York City, the son of the late George and Beatrice Frenkel. He graduated from Colorado College in Colorado Springs. John was a self-taught artist, painting animals, landscapes, and people he knew and loved. He was a five-year student of art with

Pieter Lefferts at North Light Arts Center in Amenia. As a resident of Noble Horizons for upwards of 25 years, he knew everyone who worked and lived there and was beloved by all.

In addition to his sister, he is survived by a niece, Wendy C. Logan, and a great nephew, James Porricelli.

The Kenny Funeral Home in Sharon has care of the arrangements. A memorial service will be held at Noble Horizons later in the spring. Contributions may be made to The Sharon Playhouse.

Paul Robert Moeller

SHARON — Paul Robert “Bob” Moeller died on March 25, 2024, at home at the age of 84.

Bob was born in Alpena, Michigan, the son of the late Lutheran Bishop Paul and Iris (Troyer) Moeller.

Bob graduated in 1957 from Oakwood High School in Dayton, Ohio.

Bob’s family was interested in nature — his mother was a Girl Scout leader. She had a federal permit to collect bird nests that were no longer used by nesting birds. The family helped with this collection which was donated to an educational center. Bob was a Boy Scout and earned his Eagle Scout Badge. In June of 1961, Bob graduated from Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa, with a degree in biology.

He met his wife Wanda at college, and they were married Aug. 15, 1961, in the Memorial Lutheran Church in Nevada, Iowa.

Bob was hired by the National Audubon Society as a naturalist at Aullwood Audubon Center in Dayton, Ohio, where he led groups of children and adults to explore and study, to appreciate and protect the natural world.

Their son Douglas was born on Nov. 18, 1966, in Ohio.

In Oct. of 1971, Bob, Wanda, and Douglas moved to Sharon when he accepted the position of Director of Sharon Audubon Center, and they lived in the stone cottage on the property until Bob became an Audubon Regional Environmental Educator working with many Audubon groups in our region. During his time as Director of Sharon Audubon, Bob helped develop a Mammal Skull Key which was used to identify mammals found in our area. Bob was the leader in the Sharon area for many ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNTS each Dec. and he was leader for the BREEDING BIRD CENSUS each May for many, many years!

High school and college students were accepted in the Audubon Trainee Program each spring, summer, and fall. Many lives were (and still are) changed as the result of Bob’s mentoring program! Nearly everywhere Bob went, he would be asked questions about natural history, or animals, plants, trees, or weather related topics.

Bob visited all 50 U.S. states! During his years with Audubon, Bob was able to travel to many conferences in the U.S. as well as to be an Audubon Leader for a trip to Africa. Bob was sent to England in 1972 to learn how the British incorporated natural history into their school curriculum. Each trip provided educational experienc-

es for Bob to learn about and appreciate the birds, animals, trees, plants, and people in several areas of our world!

Bob served on Sharon’s Inland/Wetland Commission, Sharon Land Trust, Sharon Ambulance Squad, the Aton Forest Board in Norfolk, and Housatonic Valley Association as a consultant. Bob was an active member of Sharon United Methodist Church.

In the fall of 1987 Bob was elected First Selectman for the Town of Sharon, a position he held for 18 years until his retirement in the fall of 2005. Bob attended most meetings of Sharon’s Boards and Commissions during the years he served in this position and was involved in the renovation of Sharon Center School, the renovation of Sharon Town Hall, as well as the building the Sharon Water Treatment Facility.

Bob’s hobbies were golfing, coaching or attending Doug’s sports, square foot gardening, travel, playing card games or board games with friends, fixing things at home, bird watching, and watching UCONN Men’s and Women’s basketball games.

In 2016 signs of Parkinson’s Disease and Dementia were diagnosed. The challenges Bob faced were met with acceptance and dignity.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents, his sister Joan Deyoe and her husband Richard. He is survived by his loving wife Wanda of 62+ years, their son, Douglas of Berkeley, California, his brother Ralph Philip (Marcia) of Denver, Colorado, and his sister Mary Benis (Michael) of Columbus, Ohio, as well as several nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Bob’s Life will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions in lieu of flowers may be made to:

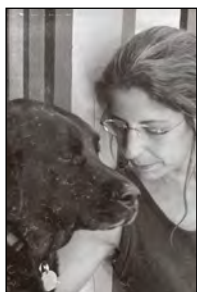
—SHARON AUDUBON CENTER, 325 Cornwall Bridge Road, Sharon, CT 06069.

—Sharon United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 172, Sharon, CT 06069.

—MICHAEL J. FOX PARKINSON’S RESEARCH FUND Grand Central Station, P.O. Box 4777, NY, NY 10163-4777.

Elisabeth Ann Miller

FALLS VILLAGE — Elisabeth Ann Miller, known by many as Libby, passed peacefully at home on March 22, 2024, after a long number of illnesses.



Libby was born Nov. 24, 1958, in Hartford, and spent her early years in Simsbury. She attended Simsbury schools and the University of Connecticut. Following her studies, Libby had a successful career in the insurance industry, working with a number of major insurance companies in the Hartford area as an underwriter and actuary.

Later, she joined her family’s insurance business, serving as vice president in the New Hartford, Litchfield county areas.

Moving to the Salisbury area, Libby pursued a career as an advertising representative for 12 years at the Lakeville Journal before

retiring. Her interests included cooking, crafting, antique jewelry, books, and music. She loved nature and all types of animals.

Libby is survived by her husband, Ralph Carl Miller, a brother, R. William Cosseboom of Anthem, Arizona, sister Carrie Cosseboom (Harris) of Canton, and a number of nieces and nephews and her close friends Ina Palmer of Miami, Florida and Melissa Crampton of Falls Village.

There are no services planned, however, a memorial service is planned for later in the year.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the visiting nurse and hospice of Litchfield County or a charity of your choice.

Kenny Funeral Home in Sharon has care of arrangements.

Lester Amos Hoysradt

SALISBURY — Lester Amos Hoysradt, 90, of Undermountain Road, died peacefully in Hospice care on March 7, 2024, in Palm Harbor, Florida. He was a lifelong resident of Salisbury.



Lester was born Oct. 1, 1933, at home in Salisbury to Whilhemina (Brazee) and Clayton Hoysradt. He came into this world with very little. He was a graduate of Housatonic Valley Regional High School and the school of horticulture at UCONN. A proud Raggie, lifelong gardener, tireless worker, he was the fabric of the town. There was perhaps never a kinder and more generous man. Lester helped people anyway he could, day or night, and was a 25 year Hospice volunteer.

A community man, loved by many, he was considered to be the unofficial Mayor of

Salisbury. In the 1960s Lester opened Roaring Oaks Florist in Sharon. He was a dog lover. His spot in the back of the church will be difficult to fill.

Lester is survived by his sister Linda Roddy of Leesburg, Florida. He was predeceased by his brother Don “Donny” Hoysradt, and his two sisters Kay Ora “Sis” Baker and Mary Lou Orth.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday May 18 at 11 a.m. at the Salisbury Congregational Church in Salisbury, Connecticut, with a celebration of Lester’s life to follow at the White Hart Inn. Memorial contributions may be made to the Little Guild, 285 Sharon-Goshen Turnpike, West Cornwall, CT 06796.

The Kenny Funeral Home, 41 Main St., Sharon, has care of arrangements.

For more obituaries, see page A4

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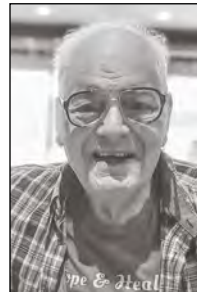
PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Easter best

William Barrett, age 11, of Housatonic, Mass. filled his basket with plastic eggs stuffed with candy after the Easter service at Trinity Episcopal Church in Lime Rock.

Joseph Angelo Rinaldi

FALLS VILLAGE — Joseph “Joe” Angelo Rinaldi, age 82, passed on to his heavenly home on March 27, 2024, at Noble Horizons Care Facility after a recent illness.



Joe was born in Waterbury, on Dec. 12, 1941, to Ida (Ferri) and Angelo Rinaldi. He graduated from Leavenworth High School in 1959 and then served in the Navy, on the USS Independence.

In 1965, Joe married the love of his life, Judith Twing, with whom he shared 58 years of marriage. He was the proud father of four children and four grandchildren.

Joe spent most of his career in full-time ministry as a pastor in Vermont. He retired to Falls Village, where he enjoyed house projects and caring for his lawn.

Joe leaves behind his loving wife, Judith (Twing); daughters Jean (Craig) West, Julie (Paul) Latina, Joanna

(Jeremy) Pheasant and son James (Christine) Rinaldi; brother Michael Rinaldi and sister Anna Marie Rinaldi. He leaves behind his four grandchildren: Ryanne Rinaldi, Ryder Rinaldi, Isabelle Latina, and Anthony Latina. Joe is predeceased by his father, mother, and sister-in-law, Donna Marciel.

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Thank you to Dr. Jerzy Chachaj and the staff who cared so well for Joe at the VA and the wonderful staff at Noble Horizons. Dad, we hope God lets you mow the grass of the heavenly pastures! Services will be held at Montano-Shea Funeral Home, 922 Main Street, Winsted on Friday, April 5, 2024 at 11 AM. Visit an online guestbook at montano-shea.com.

Worship Services

Week of April 7, 2023

Call ahead or visit websites for updates on remote or in-person services.

<p>Christ Church Episcopal in Sharon 9 South Main, Sharon CT Sunday Holy Eucharist at 9:00 A.M. Transitioning through prayer All welcome to join us 860-364-5260 www.christchurchsharon.org</p>	<p>The Congregational Church of Salisbury, U.C.C. 30 Main Street, Salisbury, CT Whoever you are, wherever you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here! Worship, Sundays at 8 and 10 a.m., in-person and streaming www.salisburyucc.org Sharing God’s shalom: Wholeness, harmony, justice, and joy! (860) 435-2442</p>
<p>St. John’s Episcopal Church 12 Main Street, Salisbury, CT Rev. Paul Christopherson SUNDAY SERVICE 10:00 a.m. Eucharist with music (Rite II) In-Person and on You-Tube www.stjohnssalisbury.org 860-435-9290</p>	<p>Trinity Episcopal Church 484 Lime Rock Rd. Lakeville Offering companionship along the Way Sundays at 8 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday School at 9 a.m. Livestream at 10:30 found at www.trinitylimerock.org Misa en español al mediodía (12 pm) el último sábado de mes The Revs. Heidi Truax & Felix Rivera trinitylimerock.org (860) 435-2627</p>
<p>North Canaan Congregational Church, UCC Joyfully opening our hearts and doors to all God’s people 172 Lower Rd./Rt. 44, East Canaan CT Worship services Sundays at 10 am www.facebook.com/northcanaancongregational 860-824-7252</p>	<p>Unitarian Fellowship of NW CT Cobble Living Room, Noble Horizons The next meeting will be Sunday, April 14 at 10:30 a.m. Proposed Revision of UU principles For information, contact Jo Loi at joiauloi@gmail.com All are Welcome</p>
<p>FISHES & LOAVES FOOD PANTRY, A MISSION OF OUR CHURCH is at Pilgrim House, 30 Granite Ave., Canaan Tuesday 4-6 pm & Thursday 12-2 pm www.fishesandloavesnorthcanaan.org</p>	<p>Chabad of Northwest CT On the Green 69 West St. Litchfield, CT 06759 chabadNW.org 860.567.3377 office@chabadNW.org Rabbi Joseph & Mina Eisenbach A home away from home, a gathering place where unity is paramount. We are here for you, welcome to the family!</p>
<p>Congregation Beth David A Reform Jewish Synagogue 3344 East Main St., Amenia SERVICES SATURDAY 10:30 AM Twice Monthly • Followed by Oneg (Calendar at congbethdavid.org) ALL ARE WELCOME Rabbi Jon Haddon 845-373-8264 info@congbethdavid.org</p>	<p>ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH Immaculate Conception, 4 North Street, Norfolk St. Joseph, 4 Main Street, Canaan St. Mary, 76 Sharon Road, Lakeville MASS SCHEDULE Saturday Vigil 4 pm, St. Joseph Church Sunday 9 am, Church of St. Mary Sunday 11 a.m., Immaculate Conception Church DAILY MASS SCHEDULE Wednesday 6pm St. Joseph Chapel or Church Thursday 8am Immaculate Conception Church Friday 8am Church of St. Mary ALL ARE WELCOME! For information, please call 860-824-7078</p>
<p>The Lakeville United Methodist Church 519 Main St., Lakeville, CT 06039 9:15 a.m. Worship Service 9:15 a.m. Sunday School “Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors” The Rev. Dr. Anna C. Camphouse 860-435-9496 Lakevillemethodist@snet.net</p>	<p>UCC in CORNWALL Cornwall Village Meeting House Worship Sunday, 10 am Outstanding Church School (10 am) Mission Opportunities Warm Fellowship following Worship 860-672-6840 www.uccincornwall.org Rev. Micki Nunn-Miller, Minister Welcoming all - including the LGBTQ Community</p>
<p>The Sharon United Methodist Church 112 Upper Main Street, North End of Sharon Green Touching Lives - Lifting Spirits 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, Nursery Care No Sunday School in Summer The Rev. Dr. Anna C. Camphouse 860-364-5634 sharonumc5634@att.net</p>	<p>The Chapel of All Saints, Cornwall Holy Eucharist: Sundays at 9 a.m. Trinity Retreat Center Chapel Lower River Road, West Cornwall</p>
<p>Falls Village Congregational Church 16 Beebe Hill Road, Falls Village 10:00 a.m. Family Worship Coffee Hour A Friendly Church with a warm welcome to all!! 860-824-0194</p>	<p>Sharon Congregational 25 Main Street, Sharon, CT Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Visit our website sharoncongregationalchurch.org for Sunday services Contact us at 860-364-5002 or info@sharoncongregationalchurch.org</p>
<p>The Smithfield Presbyterian Church 656 Smithfield Valley Rd. Route 83, Amenia, NY Services every Sunday 10 a.m. www.thesmithfieldchurch.org 21st Century Theology in an Historic Building</p>	<p>All Saints of America Orthodox Christian Church 313 Twin Lakes Rd., Salisbury, CT Vespers Saturday at 5:00 P.M. Divine Liturgy Sunday at 9:30 A.M. Special Services Online Rev. John Kreta 860-824-1340 allsaintsofamerica.us</p>
<p>Canaan United Methodist Church 2 Church St., Rte 44, Canaan, CT 11 a.m. Worship Service “Open Hearts - Open Minds - Open Doors” Rev. Lee Gangaware 860-824-5534 canaanct-umc.com canaanctumc@gmail.com We hope you will join us!</p>	<p>Promised Land Baptist Church 29 Granite Ave., Canaan, CT Where you will find: A Warm Welcome! Helpful Bible Messages, A Place to Grow! Sunday School - 10am Sunday Worship - 11am Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer Meeting - 7PM (860) 824-5685 VISITORS WELCOME! www.promisedlandbaptist.org</p>
<p>Millerton United Methodist Church 6 Dutchess Avenue, P.O. Box 812 Millerton, NY 12546 Services on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month at 3:00 P.M. 518-789-3138</p>	

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TALES FROM THE ROAD

Day two in the life of a newspaper truck driver

Editor's Note: Last week we chronicled a day in the life of a newspaper truck driver delivering The Lakeville Journal and The Millerton News, focused on Wednesdays. In this installment, we learn about the Thursday deliveries.

By Geoffrey Olans

On Thursday morning, with much less preparatory work, Brian Murphy and I are quick out of the blocks. By 10 a.m. we are usually at the West Cornwall Post Office exchanging a few minutes of banter with Mariah and her colleague, nicknamed "the Swede" because of his Scandinavian roots. Mariah is the jokester, the Swede her foil. She's always saying goofy things, making funny faces and tittering "tee hee hee"; he's more restrained.

Driving south on Route 7 from West Cornwall to Cornwall Bridge along the winding Housatonic is always a scenic joy. But on a sunny day and after a heavy rainfall, when the river is swollen and moving swiftly and light dances exuberantly on its wavelets, it is almost heavenly. All it takes is the sighting of a fly fisherman casting his line to seal the deal.

From Cornwall Bridge we continue south to South Kent without stopping. There we deliver a small bundle of Lakeville Journals to the Bulls Bridge Country Store, a small family-run grocery that caters to hikers from the Appalachian Trail. Aku, the proprietor, originally from Gujarat, India, always greets us enthusiastically. When we first met her she was reserved and reticent, but now words pour forth from her to us in a torrent. I like to poke fun at her but she gives as good as she gets.

Ordinarily, we advance along our circuit path without backtracking. However, the stretch between Cornwall Bridge and South Kent is an exception to this rule. We drive it in both directions. So, after finishing with Bulls Bridge Market we do a U-turn and drive north to Kent.

In Kent our first stop is at Kent Convenience, a filling station/convenience store situated at the major intersection in the middle of town, across from the monument to the Civil War. Lately, I've been invited to a couple of free coffees by Romial, one of two Sri Lankans who work there, and this time is no different. It's a nice gesture, of course, but I don't want him to think it's necessary. "I appreciate your generosity," I say to him, "but please don't let me become an imposition."

"No worries," he smiles. But as he does, Arvind, the other Sri Lankan and manager, sticks in his head and interjects in deadpan: "You became an imposition long ago!" With a grin emerging across his face, I know he is joking, and I roll my eyes. Ever since I bet him one penny that Argentina would win the World Cup and won, he looks for every opportunity to get even with a good-natured dig at me.

North of Kent, in the small town of Cornwall, we stop at the post office staffed

by a solitary postal worker. She and I have developed a greeting ritual. As I pass through the vestibule, I call out her name — Vic-to-ria-aaaaa!!!! — and as I come into her area she calls out mine — Geo-freedy!!!! It's silly but we both get a kick out of it. It started when we wanted to remember each other's names. And then it took on a life of its own. The funny thing is, now that I know her better, I know that she'd rather be called Tory.

Names are interesting. You can't say enough about the value of learning someone's name. Arguably, learning a person's name is the first step to building any kind of a relationship.

Speaking of names, I have to say a word about Kumal, one of the cashiers at the Shell station/convenience store in Winsted, Connecticut, where we stop much later in our Thursday run.

Hailing from Hyderabad in northwestern India, Kumal is a hulking and intimidating man the size of an NFL offensive lineman. I remember the first time I met him. I was counting newspaper returns and he calls to me from across the store in heavily accented English: "Business is good!?" I didn't know what he meant, as we'd only sold a few papers that week and he must have known that — but I dared not challenge him. As I walked to the counter to submit my invoice, he repeated himself, "Business is good!?" I smiled and shrugged my shoulders and gave him the invoice to sign and pay. Now that I know him a little better, I know that this is just one of his stock, tongue-in-cheek questions, designed to keep me on my toes and get a reaction.

You'd think that spending 6 to 8 hours in a small van with a fellow driver week after week would be a challenging experience. And I'd be lying to say that we haven't had our moments.

Because we travel across such a broad expanse of rural geography, past farmland and woodland, it can be a long drive between stops. On Wednesday the average distance between stops is 2.5 miles; on Thursday it is 6 miles. The three of us as drivers — Adam Williams, Brian and I — have become quite adept at filling in the time during those intervals. Usually with a podcast or a playlist and sometimes with a bite to eat. All of us try to bring if not a packed lunch, then snacks that we can nibble on throughout the day.

In the two years that I've been driving there have been no major mishaps.

No accidents, no flat tires, no getting locked out of the van with the engine running, but there have been a few close calls. The greatest danger seems to be vehicles that pull out in front of you at the last moment, often without looking. This seems to happen with increasing

frequency.

You'd think that spending 6 to 8 hours in a small van with a fellow driver week after week would be a challenging experience. And I'd be lying to say that we haven't had our moments. But all in all, despite differences in age, background and personality, we enjoy each other's company and end each workday tired but in good humor. What matters most, I think, is that we appreciate our job, relish the opportunity to drive across such lovely countryside, and look for ways to keep it interesting. And it doesn't hurt that we are open, flexible and easy-going. Or that each of us likes to share stories, learn about new things and try to solve the problems of the world.

On Thursday, the day ends — as does the week — with a stop at Farmer's Wife, a cozy country restaurant and specialty deli, with only a few tables, in Ancramdale, New York. It's always tricky getting there before the restaurant's 3 p.m. closing. But even when we're a little late, Lisa and her team are often still there, cleaning up or preparing food for a catered event. Lisa has a buoyant personality and, no matter how hard her day, always remains upbeat. I can expect a warm greeting from her when I arrive. I can also expect a little ribbing: "I hope you have change today!" she'll joke, as she reaches into her cash register drawer to pay me, knowing that I hardly ever carry change. Truth is, apart from an instance or two at Farmer's Wife, I never need change.

So, as you can see, the life of a Lakeville Journal driver, lived every Wednesday and Thursday, is richer than you probably imagined. Yes, our primary function, our reason for being, is to deliver each week's newspapers to post offices and retail account locations quickly and efficiently. And yes, much of what we do is load and unload, stop and go, say hello and say goodbye. But would you have guessed how much fun we had in the process? How many interesting places and beautiful faces we came across? How we were able to make a potentially mindless job into an intellectually stimulating and socially rewarding one?

It's another Wednesday morning. The truck from the printer pulls into the office driveway, with Lenny at the wheel, and I rush to open the storage garage door for him.

When he's backed up to within feet of it, he stops and emerges from the cab. No matter what the temperature, hot or cold, Lenny is always dressed in shorts, sneakers and sunglasses, and today is no exception.

Lenny lowers the truck's lift gate and unfolds its platform extension so that it almost touches the edge of the garage floor. "You sure that's going to do it?" I ask, just to get a rise out of him. Lenny then presses a button that drops the platform flush to the floor, chuckling as he does. As I maneuver a skid jack into place, I think to myself, I'll miss that big hair and full-faced beard big time when he transfers to the night shift.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



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A total eclipse in Montana in 1979.

Tuning into the solar eclipse

By now everyone is tuning into the "Solar Eclipse Totality Pathway" places to be and view with special lenses where the moon blocks the view of the sun.

That is possible because the sun at 93 million miles away is 400 times farther away from the Earth than the moon is which is 238,900 miles away. The moon looks bigger because it is closer and can block the sun (partially or totally.)

Many people are tuning into the 'energy and messages' about what this means from a variety of sources. We could each dream up our own version or journal what feelings and healing we could be experience or hope to with online or other resources. Say to one another and oneself "all of you is welcome here (not to condone harm but to land the feelings and move toward peace.) Let's live with hope and help for healing!"

The thoughts, stories and actions of the past can inform everyone about choices for each moment and inner focus for healing, forgiveness of self and others and guid-

ance to safety and respect.

The offerings such as BatteredMothersCustodyConference.org advocate for safety for victims (of any gender but generally Moms are More at Risk) and DomesticShelters.org has education for everyone to chart a course toward planning for safety over the lifespan.

Let's look up and network in new ways, protecting rights and ways to plan for shared success. EdAdvance.org adult ed programs can be a helpful way to do that with Social Networking zoom and in person sessions for the MA/NY CT area and much more!

Catherine Palmer Paton
Falls Village

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Viewpoint

Reassessing how we punish domestic violence

By Natalia Zukerman

SALISBURY — “Nikki’s lifelong belief that she had to hide is rooted in a cultural truth that, in fact, your truth is not always safe, and you’re not always going to be believed,” said author Michelle Horton of her sister, Nikki Addimando, a survivor of domestic violence who was ultimately incarcerated for killing her abuser.

Horton was presenting her new book, “Dear Sister: A Memoir of Secrets, Survival, and Unbreakable Bonds,” at an event at The Scoville Library on Wednesday, March 27.

It was put on in conjunction with Project SAGE, a community-focused organization dedicated to supporting and advocating for victims of relationship violence, and the Nicole Addimando Community Defense Committee, a collective of Addimando’s friends and advocates who built a national grassroots movement to repeal, repair and end the harms of criminalizing domestic abuse survivors.

Nicole Addimando is the central figure of Horton’s book, a breathtaking account of the high-profile case in which Addimando was sentenced to life for the killing of her long-time abuser.

Overnight, Horton became the caregiver for Addimando’s two small children, Ben and Faye, while also raising her own son, Noah, as she embarked on the battle of a lifetime against the criminal justice system.

In September 2017, Addimando shot and killed her domestic partner, Christopher Grover, in an act of

self-defense. In April 2019, Addimando was convicted of second-degree murder and gun possession.

Despite an abundance of evidence to corroborate the years of abuse Addimando endured, the prosecution instead relied on harmful fallacies, domestic violence myths, character assassination, victim blaming and unsubstantiated claims to make their case.

But perhaps most disturbingly, prior to Addimando’s sentencing, New York passed the Domestic Violence Survivors Justice Act, which specifically authorized reductions in sentences for domestic-violence survivors when the abuse they suffered “was a significant contributing factor to the defendant’s criminal behavior.”

A commonly referenced statistic among domestic violence advocates is that victims make an average of seven attempts to leave an abusive relationship.

Judge Edward McLoughlin, an elected judge still serving on Dutchess County’s Supreme and County Courts, presided in Addimando’s case, and ruled instead that the case did not meet the requirements of a reduced sentence because she “could have left her abuser.”

On February 11, 2020, Judge McLoughlin sentenced Addimando to 19-years-to-



PHOTO BY NATALIA ZUKERMAN

Michelle Horton told the story of her sister’s experience surviving domestic violence and subsequent incarceration during a book talk at Scoville Memorial Library on March 27.

life, plus 15 years, plus 5 years post supervision.

After a year of advocacy, in June 2021, an appeals court struck down the ruling, and Addimando’s sentence was reduced to 7.5 years. She was released from prison in January 2024 and is currently on parole and living with her sister in Poughkeepsie.

In the U.S., three women die every day at the hands of a current or former intimate partner, and the myth of “just leaving” is not possible. A commonly referenced statistic among domestic violence advocates is that victims make an average of seven attempts to leave an abusive relationship.

Leaving isn’t a single event. Rather, it’s a complex process that necessitates meticulous preparation and groundwork.

Decades of research, including a groundbreaking femicide study from 2003, by Jacquelyn Campbell, and a three-country study from 1993, by Margo Wilson and Martin Daly, show that the most dangerous time for a victim is when she is leaving the relationship.

After Horton’s reading of

a moving passage from the book that underscored the trauma experienced by Addimando and her family, an audience member expressed shock that Addimando was “hiding in plain sight to most of her family and friends.”

The audience member then went on to ask what could be done to “encourage people to be more courageous in seeing and helping victims and what can be done to encourage victims to reach out to broader support?”

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Virginia Gold, director of

client services at Project Sage responded by noting that the current social environment emphasizes enabling the victim to make different choices.

She explained that this was a way of blaming or putting the onus on the victim of domestic violence, which “creates a context in which someone hears the unspoken messages that they are the one who has to fix this thing happening to them, as opposed to the idea that we are responsible for shifting our assumptions about how relationships should work.”

She said, “one of the reasons that we talk about social change [is that this] erases the responsibility that we need to hold for perpetrators and the conversation that we need to have that identifies the kinds of behaviors that are condoned, ignored, rationalized, or allowed to continue.”

The next question from the audience was an impassioned plea that received rousing applause: “How do we go about getting this judge off the bench?” referring to Judge McLoughlin.

Horton responded, “We

need voters in Dutchess County to spread the word because he will be up for reelection in 2025.

“It’s an elected position so we can vote him out of power. It is possible.”

Judge McLoughlin is also a professor of criminal law at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, where some students are petitioning to terminate his role due to his handling of Addimando’s case.

Among the list of grievances against the judge is perpetuation of harmful myths about domestic violence. The petition asks: “How can the college claim to ‘foster a safe living and learning environment for all’ when someone with such a fundamental, well-documented lack of understanding about domestic violence is allowed to shape the minds of young people?” There are currently 812 signatures on the petition. Marist declined to comment.

A staff member of Judge McLoughlin’s chambers said that because the case is still considered pending, McLoughlin is not able to comment.

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

NORMA BOSWORTH

100 years ago — April 1924

Miss Helen Harding has gone to New York where she has a position in a library for three months.

SALISBURY — W.W. Hortie of Winsted spent Sunday with his daughters.

TACONIC — Samuel Collins has resigned his position at J.F. Fishers and will soon move to a farm near Hudson.

Myron Holley has sold the block for many years occupied by the M.E. Miller estate to R.W. Dufour, and Mr. Dufour has sold his building at present occupied by A.E. Bauman to Harry T. Miller. The parties concerned in these deals have not yet announced their future plans.

Nearly a foot of snow arriving on April 1st proved an April fool joke to those looking for spring. Some of the farmers brought their milk to town on runners. The snow fell very rapidly, but Dan Lorigan and his men operated the state snow plow during the night and as a result the state roads were cleared and ready for use early Wednesday morning, a fact that was much appreciated by auto drivers.

TACONIC — Arthur Tomlinson has completed his new house to the second story.

Last Thursday afternoon the brakes on the Conn.

Power Co. truck which was parked in front of their office loosened up and the truck backed down the hill coming to a stop after smashing in the side of a Cadillac car belonging to Leslie Dufour.

The Senior Class of the Canaan High School arrived home from Washington on Thursday. Miss Margaret Jones of this place who is attending high school in Canaan made the trip with the rest of the class, and besides enjoying the other pleasures of the trip she shook hands with President Coolidge.

On Wednesday radio fans were glad to hear that coal had dropped \$1.00 per ton in price.

50 years ago — April 1974

On a dirt road between the Kent School and the Schaghticoke Indian reservation a small stone building lies in ruins. Now a pile of crumbling masonry and rotted beams on a weed-choked lot, the structure is said to have housed a mission school for local Indians. According to Schaghticoke Chief Ernie Harris of Litchfield, the Moravian missionaries who brought Christianity to the Schaghticoke used the building as a school until its abandonment in the mid-nineteenth century. Chief Harris visited the site last week with a group interested in restoring the building as a monument.

Salisbury has been experiencing difficulty obtaining the proper materials from the state for completion of the bridge reconstruction on the Salisbury- Lime Rock Road, Salisbury First Selectman Charlotte Reid said Tuesday night. A report from Town Engineer Henry Rossire detailed the problems which arose when the state official in charge of materials was ill and the town crew was given 30 special sized nuts instead of the 113 requested, 9 post bolts instead of 28, and 4 end posts instead of 9. Mr. Rossire is trying to track the matter down, but Selectman George Kiefer said the problem had required “a phenomenal amount of correspondence.”

A contract has been let to build and install replicas of the decaying railings which were removed from the tower of the Sharon Congregational Church last summer. Replacement is to be completed for the 150th anniversary of the historic brick church in May. In addition, 62 shutters are being repainted by church members to complete the new look.

Over 100 boys registered for this year’s Little League program in Canaan, according to League president Doug Humes. There will be six teams and a farm team playing in the league this summer.

The soft glow of kerosene

lamps has a special intrigue for Dr. Vincent Peppe of West Main Street. Dr. Peppe started collecting the lamps this winter in an effort to conserve energy and now declares that he likes them better than candlelight for soft lighting. Dr. Peppe has a number of interesting lamps in his collection and is seeking more information on how they were used most effectively in by-gone days. He talked briefly to the Exchange Club about his lamps Tuesday evening.

The Department of Environmental Protection has finally scheduled a public hearing April 26 in Hartford on Falls Village’s bid to open the new town landfill on Route 63. The town acquired the land for \$125,000 last summer, but still hasn’t been able to put it in service. Delay of formal DEP approval has been the last big stumbling block.

25 years ago — April 1999

In a unique collaboration, local artists, entertainers, illustrators, sculptors, photographers, actors and others, along with skilled craftsmen, have combined their talents to create one-of-a-kind artwork to be sold for the benefit of the Northwest Connecticut and Litchfield Hills chapters of Habitat for Humanity. The artwork will be offered for sale at a festive party and silent auction April 10 from 4 to 7 p.m. (last bid at 6:30 p.m.) at the

Paris- New York- Kent Gallery at Station Square. Everyone is welcome.

For her 23 years of service to the Kent Volunteer Ambulance, Leslie Connery was recently given the Distinguished Achievement Award. Mrs. Connery, 70, was given the award at the annual awards banquet of Connecticut’s Emergency Medical Services March 20 in Cromwell.

CANAAN — Theresa Freund recalls the time she mistakenly plowed the cornfield her husband had just planted. Matthew Freund was understandably upset. But that was nearly two decades ago and they are still happily married and she has learned a lot since then. Last

month, the couple traveled to Mobile, Ala., where Mrs. Freund received a national “Outstanding Young Farmer” award. She was one of 39 farmers in the country and the only one in New England to receive the award, which was sponsored on the state level by the Hartford Jaycees and the Connecticut Agricultural Information Council.


Noted Norfolk journalist Seth Moseley celebrated his 90th birthday last week with a party given by many of his friends.

These items were taken from The Lakeville Journal archives at Salisbury’s Scoville Memorial Library, keeping the original wording intact as possible.



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The Wall Street Journal just ran an excellent story this past Sunday of Jose Andres’ accomplishment in both building a pier out of demolished buildings and being the first to bring in food to Gaza by sea. His World Central Kitchen, in partnership with the Open Arms (www.openarms.es/en/who-are-we) not only built the pier, but has already delivered food way ahead of anyone, including the United States. Jose represents what one person can do to help the suffering and hungry in this world and perhaps we, in our sheltered NW corner, could help him with our support. Please visit www.wck.org for more information.



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"If we have an August primary, even a little town like us, will use up our \$10,000," explained Ridgway, who predicted a "60% increase in our budget as a result of early voting."

"We are very part-time," noted Mosimann. "We had to spend many hours training in Zoom meetings, which is not typically the time we are in the office."

"We, the registrars, feel that it will not specifically increase turnout. It will help a few voters who do shift work with lots of extra hours, such as workers at hospitals with 12-hour shifts who get out late, or people who travel a lot," said Ridgway.

"October early voting will be indicative of voters' interest, so a little early to gauge now."

North Canaan

"It's been a bit slow, but we love doing this. It's the first day of early voting in Connecticut," noted poll worker Betsy Devino, who along with Diane Cieslowski, were eager awaiting voters on Thursday, March 28.

As she spoke, North Canaan resident Bunny McGuire stepped up to the table, flashed her ID, claimed her envelope and ballot, and became the town's fifth early voter at around 11:30 a.m.

Democratic Registrar Patricia Keilty said most of those who voted were either in the building already for town hall business or were reminded of early voting and the Presidential Preference Primary by posts on the Northwest Chatter Facebook page.

She had encouraged as many people as she could to show up and vote so that any glitches in the system could be identified. The strategy paid off, she said. So far, so good.

In an update on Saturday evening, March 30, Keilty reported that a total of 29 electors cast early votes between Tuesday and Saturday.

The town has 1,960 registered voters.

Kent

Long-time Kent resident Rob Gerowe was driving by town hall on Thursday, March 28, when he noticed the early voting sign.

He explained that while his job at the University of Bridgeport allows him flexibility of working some days

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— Susan Kelsey, Falls Village registrar of voters

from home and others on campus, he has an out-of-state, UB alumni reunion coming up which conflicts with the April 2 Presidential Primary.

Gerowe said he had intended to fill out an absentee ballot but was so busy at work that it got put on the back burner. "I was just passing by and decided to vote today to make it easy," he said. He was the second voter to show up by midday.

According to Registrar Therese Duncan, 13 people voted on Tuesday; 10 on Wednesday and up until Gerowe's vote on Thursday, only one other vote had been cast.

"Statistically, it has the opportunity to be about 30 percent of the voters who will use early voting," noted Duncan.

On a bright note, said Deputy Registrar Judy Sheridan, the slow pace allows election officials time to fix hiccups, like one of the registrars' two computers that went down and a broken label printer.

"We're very glad we're doing it now, and not during the presidential election. It's a good run-through."

Sharon

The first three days of early voting drew a total of 41 voters to Sharon Town Hall, according to registrar Patricia Chamberlain. "We were pretty happy."

"We are hoping the state will shrink the number of days for the early ballot, maybe only three days of early voting will be needed. That's a distinct possibility," noted registrar Marel Rogers.

"All of us normally work two hours a week, so during early voting it's like a month's salary."

Small towns like Sharon, with limited staff and volunteers, face an unfair cost burden, Rogers noted. "Cities have staff there five days a week, so doing early voting is not going to be so expensive. They are already paying those people."

Educating residents is

another challenge that will hopefully come with time, said BZ Coords, Republican Registrar of Voters. "One person came in to say 'Nice sign! What are we voting for?'"

Falls Village

"Very stressful, as is any new experience," is how Falls Village registrar Susan Kelsey, described the new process. The first day's turnout was seven voters, six the second day and roughly the same number by mid-day on Thursday, March 28.

"By and large, most people wonder why we don't have no-excuse absentee voting instead," noted Kelsey. For a small town, this is not cost effective at all. A minimum of four days, eight hours a day at this point... for 19 votes."

Election officials in Falls Village and elsewhere expressed concern about find-

ing and training enough staff, traditionally retirees, to man the polls for the general election in the fall, which allows 14 days of early voting.

Salisbury

Fifty-eight voters cast their ballots on the first day of early voting in Salisbury, 20 of which did so before lunchtime.

"Early voting is going smoothly as we were well prepared," reported registrar Jenny Law.

The first person to cast a ballot was Lisa Sheble, and the historic moment was captured in a photograph taken by poll worker Karin Gerstel.

"I think people were curious. But we also made a point of spreading the word. We told people we would love the practice, and contacted both town committees to spread the word," said Law.

Law noted that on April 4 an early voting debrief via Zoom is planned for of all the registrars in the state, followed by a gathering of the state registrar of voters, legislators and the secretary of state's office "to see what kind of modifications they are going to make."

HOUSING

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cerns from neighbors about light spilling over into neighboring properties.

The applicant and commission also agreed to a "phantom parking" area where cars might park on the grass if necessary. The applicant's lighting consultant, David Mainville, noted that if the phantom spaces are actually built, they will require lighting.

Referring to earlier discussion about closet space and other interior layout features, P&Z chair Michael Klemens opened the April 1 continued hearing by stating that previous discussions about interior layout (closets, space for washers and dryers) were beyond the commission's purview.

The hearing opened Feb 20 and was continued on March 18.

On March 18, in response to comments from the Feb. 20 meeting, the SHC agreed to extend wildlife exclusion and privacy fencing.

The SHC's Jocelyn Ayer said that adding full base-

ments would be too expensive and would require more intrusive site work.

The plan for Dresser Woods, named for Jim Dresser, who donated the land to the SHC, has 20 rental units in nine buildings of one and two levels at 37 Railroad St. in Salisbury village.

There are six one-bedroom units, 10 two-bedroom units, and four three-bedroom units. Three are Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant.

The SHC currently owns and manages 39 affordable housing units (one, two and three bedrooms) at Faith House and Sarum Village I and II in Salisbury, and Lakeview Apartments in Lakeville.

Sarum Village III, on Cobble Road, is under construction. The new construction will add 10 units of affordable housing.

And the SHC is working on raising funds for the 12-unit Holley Place development on Main Street (Route 44).

FOOD WASTE

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PHOTO PROVIDED

Books on composting and food waste on display at the Hotchkiss Library in Sharon.

thrown away in Connecticut, it goes either to a landfill as far away as eastern Pennsylvania (as it does for Salisbury and Sharon garbage), or to a Waste to Energy plant (as it does in other parts of the state).

In landfills, decomposing food waste emits methane gas, a potent greenhouse gas. At Waste to Energy plants, the wet and heavy food waste stresses already outdated equipment.

Wasted food includes scraps created in preparing meals and snacks, plate scrapings, prepared but uneaten foods, and spoiled foods. Much of this wasted food can be composted in a backyard system and all can be composted in a commercial composting facility. Many households already compost food scraps. That is a good thing. But, preventing food waste in the first place (upstream solutions) means that more food can go to hungry people, or if not suitable for human consumption, to farm animals.

Americans would save money and resources by learning how best to store produce, meats, and other groceries; how to use leftovers resourcefully; how to maximize the refrigerator's different zones of cooling; how to use the freezer and other methods to preserve food; and how to change shopping habits.

The Salisbury/Sharon Transfer Station Recycling Advisory Committee (TRAC) and the transfer station Manager learned of Food Waste Prevention Week in a late-February webinar, which left little time for or-

ganizing outreach events, but, nonetheless, a few activities have been planned and some have already taken place. At Indian Mountain School, Tom Stewart, the Director of Sustainability Programming and Initiatives, reported that in addition to regularly talking about food waste, the school presented a food waste awareness quiz, and plans to have a series of announcements based on materials from the website for Food Waste Prevention Week. The Corner Food Pantry posted Spanish-language signs and offered handouts about how best to avoid wasting food. The children's librarian at Scoville Library read books about composting and food waste (and children observed a worm-composting bin). The Hotchkiss children's librarian will display similar books.

Salisbury Central School will have a food drive later in April. At Sharon Center School, the students will learn about Food Waste Prevention and brainstorm solutions during STEM class in the month of April. The STEM teacher at Sharon Center hopes to make room for a trivia quiz or other activity, also later in April. The Fairfield Farm at Hotchkiss School will present a kitchen class about using foods that are over peak freshness, or ugly, or past the "best by" date.

For more information about wasted food, go to: www.foodwasteprevention-week.com

Barbara Bettigole is chair of the Salisbury/Sharon Transfer Station Recycling Advisory Committee (TRAC).

TEACHERS

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ty, stakeholders said.

"Education is a workforce, and we're in competition with a lot of other spaces to get people to come into our classrooms and teach," said Kate Dias, the president of the Connecticut Education Association, the largest teachers union in the state.

"We have to recognize that the same person who is in college considering 'Do I want to be an actuary, an engineer or a math teacher?' ... [gets] to look at the compensation differences."

Math teachers don't expect to make the same amount of money as an engineer, Dias said.

"We're not fools," she said, adding that if education wants to remain on par with competing workforces, the range needs to be closer.

"I can't be saying I'm gonna start at \$42,000 as an educator, where I now have to live with my parents or I have to get three roommates or I could start as an engineer at \$65,000 and be contemplating a complete different lifestyle," Dias said.

Dias said a \$60,000 starting salary, as proposed in SB 381, could also address an

issue regarding "the pathway to the maximum" earning range, which has often been a reason teachers leave low-paying districts or the field completely.

Provisions in HB 5348 addressed a handful of issues pertaining to paraeducators, including formally defining the job and its responsibilities and raising the starting salary to \$45,000.

Paraeducators in Connecticut currently make, on average, between \$16.25 to \$23.32 an hour, or around \$33,000 to \$48,000, according to ZipRecruiter.

Certification

The biggest concern with changes to teacher certification was the question of whether a streamlined process would come at the expense of quality.

Lawmakers and Education Commissioner Charlene Russell-Tucker say no, and have clarified that existing legislation was severely outdated and changes are long overdue after remaining essentially untouched for nearly 30 years.

The legislation includes changes to the three-tiered system of certification, where

it would essentially eliminate a tier.

Currently, teachers must obtain their initial certification, which is valid for three years, then obtain a provisional certificate that's valid for eight years.

Teachers can apply for their professional certificate after the provisional certificate and after "30 school months of successful appropriate experience in a Connecticut public or approved nonpublic school under the provisional educator certificate" and additional course requirements, according to the state Department of Education.

The proposed legislation would now allow a teacher to qualify for professional status if they hold an initial or provisional certificate and have

completed at least 50 school months of teaching, completed a teacher education and mentoring program and either hold a master's degree in the subject or completed an alternative pathway approved by the state.

Other changes would allow elementary school teachers to teach more than first through sixth grade.

"With this bill passed by the Education Committee, we are well on our way to implementing additional pathways and flexibility to help these educators begin to put an end to the teaching shortage Connecticut has been suffering for years," said Daniel Pearson, executive director of Educators for Excellence-Connecticut, a non-profit policy organization.

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CRAFT: JUDITH O'HARA BALFE

Graceful stitching at the altar

So much of what we know about religion comes from the written word, but much can be found in paintings, sculptures — and needlework.

Famous tapestries hang in castles and museums around the world, but some of the most beautiful pieces can be found on altars, on kneelers, and in the vestments and hangings found in great cathedrals and in some small country churches.

Father Matthew Calkins, of Grace Church in Millbrook, is justly proud of the altar frontals, pulpit falls, veils, scarves and vestments that are found at Grace Episcopal Church. He recently shared with members of the church, a “festival frontal” that was found in a box in the sacristy.

“Unused for many years due to stains on the silk damask,” he said in describing the treasure. He said the piece was removed and will be remounted on a new frontal that has been



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An assortment of kneelers and pillows in needlepoint there are some done in crewel as well. Note the symbols used throughout the items.

ordered.

Grace has an Altar Guild, led by Director Jean Hayes, who along with fellow Altar Guild member Susan Nestel carefully brought out and arranged the many pieces, most of which are placed between absorbent packing and kept in a mapmaker's cabinet with large shallow drawers.

Calkins said that the “festival frontal” piece was made by Erica Wilson and was her first major piece created

when Margaret Thorne Parshall began the Grace Needlework Guild. It was shown for the first time for Christmas services in 1955.

The Thorne name is well known in Millbrook, and for those interested in needlework, the name of Erica Wilson also is probably familiar. How they came together is an interesting story, and a fortuitous one for Grace Church.

Parshall had an interest in fine needlework, gathering together a

group of friends, they began doing needlework at her Smithfield home, calling themselves “The Ecumenical Group.” At one point Parshall grew interested in The Royal School of Needlework, and invited one of their graduates, Erica Wilson, to come to Millbrook to teach the fine art of needlework. Wilson taught needlework to the ladies, and the needlework treasures of Grace Church grew, the recipient of many exquisite pieces.

At the time Wilson

was persuaded to come to Millbrook, she was sure she was going to a place far from civilization. In a 1973 interview, she said, “I brought a big trunk of my own wool, thinking I was going to Indian Country, where such things wouldn't be available.”

Wilson found Millbrook pleasant and civilized; she lived and worked with the Grace Needlework Guild from 1954 to 1957, when she married renowned furniture designer Valdimir Kagan and moved to New York City. She opened a shop there, which she ran

for 33 years and wrote nine books on various forms of needlework, had a syndicated newspaper article called Needleplay, and hosted two Public Television series.

Some of her designs were republished by the Metropolitan Museum of Art and Vogue. She gained the title, the “Julia Child of embroidery” as well as “America's first lady of stitchery.”

Wilson died 2011.

A third famous name, Marianna Garthwaite Klaiman, was contacted about the “festival

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One of a set of altar cloths and hangings at Grace Church, done by the Grace Needlework Guild which was most active in the 1950's and 1960's, even into the 1970's. The current Altar Guild takes care of the items now, prized possessions of the church, still in use throughout the year.

MUSIC: ALEXANDER WILBURN

Spanish sonatas and serenades for Easter

Adding some international vigor to Easter Weekend — or Semana Santa, “The Holy Week,” as it's known in Spain — The Hotchkiss School held a performance by the Spanish string ensemble the Málaga Chamber Orchestra in the Esther Eastman Music Center on Saturday evening, March 30. Featuring six violins, two violas, two cellos, and a double bass, the chamber music orchestra, which has performed across Europe and the U.S., is led by violinist and Grammy-nom-

inated music producer José Manuel Gil de Gálvez. He has shared the stage with renowned musicians like classical and flamenco guitarist Pepe Romero and South Korean classical cellist Hee-Young Lim and performed at locations like The Berlin Philharmonie, The Laeiszhalle in Hamburg, and The Seoul Arts Center.

With a flamboyant head of long ringlet curls and a mustache/goatee combination reminiscent of Colin Firth's Elizabethan lord in “Shakespeare in Love,”

Gil de Gálvez is a theatrical violinist to take in live, infusing his playing with a passionate performance that heats up lively numbers like the opening Spanish serenade, “Impresiones de España” by 19th-century composer Joaquín Malats. Gil de Gálvez was in full command during his captivating violin solo, “Adiós a la Alhambra” by composer Jesús de Monasterio, who served as honorary violinist of the Capilla Real de Madrid.

“Adiós” is an example of de Monasterio's Alhambra style, the 19th-century nationalist romantic movement, which, like the contemporary Málaga Chamber Orchestra, was keenly interested in the restoration of music from the Spanish popular heritage.

A notable upcoming free concert is the spring finale before the Hotchkiss Summer Portals begin, held on Saturday, May 4, at 7:30 p.m. The Hotchkiss Philharmonic Orchestra will be joined by guest conductor Vahan Mardirossian. He currently serves as artistic director and

principal conductor of the National Chamber Orchestra of Armenia, as well as the principal conductor of the City Chamber Orchestra of Hong Kong. Mardirossian will be joined on piano by Hotchkiss's own Head of the Arts Department and Director of the

Music Program Fabio Witkowski, as well as his wife, Gisele Witkowski, a piano instructor at The Hotchkiss School. The concert, titled “Vive le France!,” will feature works by French composers Hector Berlioz, Francis Poulenc, and Camille Saint-Saëns.



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José Manuel Gil de Gálvez, left, took a bow with members of the Málaga Chamber Orchestra at The Hotchkiss School Music Center.

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MUSIC: JOHN COSTON

Harp guitar, hoops and hops at the brewery

“I hope you like guitars,” was Stephen Bennett’s opening line on Saturday, March 30 as he launched a two-hour solo performance flanked by guitars on all sides.

Bennett’s self-effacing humor peppered his brilliant finger-picking at the Great Falls Brewery in North Canaan as he played many familiar pieces ranging from “Oh Shenandoah” to the Cowardly Lion’s tune from the Wizard of Oz, “If I Only Had the Nerve.”

Bennett, who lives in West Cornwall with his wife Nancy, is a guitar virtuoso and composer who has played across the world and currently is treating the Northwest Corner to free performances. He is scheduled to appear on Saturday, April 6 at the Twelve Moons Coffeehouse in Falls Village at 8 p.m.

His 1909 harp guitar has been handed down from his great grandfather, who played the instrument on radio in Portland, Oregon, in the 1930s. The harp neck has no frets and provides bass notes to accompany the standard six-string neck.

Playing “The House of the Rising Sun,” a ballad of unknown authorship, the harp guitar was a good match for Bennett’s slower pace as he dropped his voice to a

moody, gravely expression that rapt the audience’s attention.

Saturday night at Great Falls Brewery was not only a finger-picking extravaganza, it was a riveting basketball-dribbling March Madness night. In a Sweet 16 win over Duke, UConn women advanced to the Elite Eight.

Bennett’s continuous playing of a standard six-string, to a 1930 National Steel guitar, and his 1909 harp guitar along with a baritone guitar captivated those who came to hear him, but eyes couldn’t avoid an occasional glance at the game on the big-screen TV.

Bennett has been playing most of his life, and it the late 1980s he traveled to Oregon to join his mother and reconnect with long lost Oregon relatives. A visit to his uncle’s basement turned up the harp guitar, and everyone agreed it should be his.

“This is yours,” his uncle said after Bennett gave it a tune on the living room couch and began doodling. The rest is history, as they say. Bennett went on to compose for the instrument and later founded the annual Harp Guitar Gathering.

One song he wrote — “November” — for the harp guitar was playing

on the sound system in a New York City restaurant in 2009, prompting Nancy, who was dining there, to ask the waiter what was playing. Later, she realized she knew the composer — it was the same Stephen Bennett she had once kissed at summer camp in Bristol, Connecticut, in 1969, and as they say the rest is history.

At the brewery, Bennett’s play list was improvisational at times, and always impressive and strong enough to elicit foot tapping and even table slapping at times. During longer pieces he seemed to fuse with the instrument. His finger-picking was fancy, rapid, crisp, explosive at times, trance-like at others and always seeming to make the guitar itself

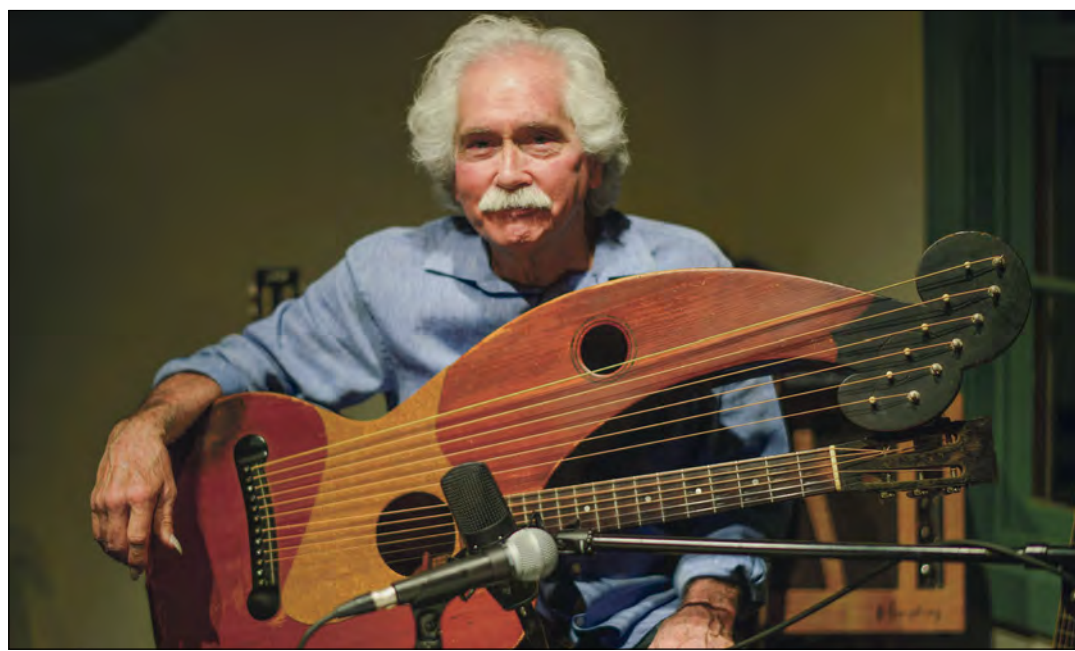


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Stephen Bennett

give its all.

His closing song was a dreamy Irish folk song — “The Star of County

Down” — played on the harp guitar and is a ballad about “the prettiest girl in the county.”

It was a night for double applause: Bennett’s virtuosity and the Huskies advance.

MUSIC: MATTHEW KRETA

Shanghai String Quartet coming to Hudson

The Shanghai String Quartet will be performing at Hudson Hall in Hudson, N.Y. Saturday, April 6 at 7 p.m. The concert will be held in honor of Eugenia Zukerman, who will be stepping down as Artistic Director of the Clarion Concert series. The quartet will be playing selections by Joseph Haydn, Edvard Grieg and Zhou Long.

The Shanghai Quartet, composed of Weigang Li and Angelo Xiang Yu on violin, Honggang Li on viola and Nicholas Tzavaras on cello, are a world renowned chamber ensemble that has only recently begun touring again. In its illustrious 40 year history, the quartet has performed in Carnegie Hall, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, and the Freer Gallery, as well as in festivals and concert halls across Europe and Asia. The group regularly

performs in China and is the ensemble in residence for the Shanghai Symphony Orchestra, and guest professors at the Shanghai Conservatory and Central Conservatory in Beijing. In 2020, the quartet took residence in the Tainjin Julliard School in China as faculty. The ensemble has been featured in over thirty recordings over the years, from Beethoven to Zhou Long’s “Poems from Tang”. The group is currently recording the complete Bartók quartets.

The concert is being dedicated to Clarion Concerts’ Artistic Director Eugenia Zukerman. Zukerman, a renowned flutist in her own right, will be retiring after about a decade in the role. Her career as a flutist has been praised by many, and she, like the Shanghai Quartet, has been featured on a plethora of high quality

and renowned recordings over the years. Previously she was CBS Morning’s arts correspondent, leading to many connections in music and television that have lead to many inspiring guest performers for Clarion of the years. Zukerman was diagnosed with Alzheimer’s Disease, and wrote a book entitled “Like Falling Through a Cloud.”

“I feel very privileged to have been able to have worked with such wonderful musicians,” Zukerman said in an interview. She also thanks the board of directors, and is grateful for many years of wonderful music and fulfilling concerts.

For tickets to see the Shanghai String Quartet this Saturday, visit www.clarionconcerts.org. For more on Eugenia Zukerman and her many works in music and writing, visit www.eugeniazukerman.com.

...altar stitching

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frontal” after discussions with the Millbrook Historical Society and the Altar Guild. Klaiman is a textile historian who specializes in the study of Anglican and Episcopal ecclesiastical textiles. She is currently working on sacristies of New York.

Klaiman has been a fashion and collectibles expert at Sotheby’s, a former costume and textile conservator and an independent textile scholar.

On Thursday, March 21, Klaiman visited Grace Church to examine some of the fine embroidered pieces, as well as some crewel work, hangings, kneelers, bell pulls and other items. She shared her knowledge of Erica Wilson and the Royal School of Needlework.

Although the frontal piece was the main attraction, there were so many items for Klaiman to examine — with rich colors, damasks, intricate designs, and

patterns with silk and metallic threaded embroidery.

Klaiman was impressed with the items, and she was also impressed with the fact that there was documentation concerning the work.

“The needlework, aside from being beautiful when used during services, also attests to the services of the many generations who contribute to the legacy,” she noted.



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NATURE: ROBIN RORABACK

Adventures of an eclipse chaser

It is an experience every fiber of you gets involved in," said Joe Rao of the phenomena of the total eclipse; it has "no rival for sheer drama and excitement."

Rao has traveled "by land, sea, and air to hunt the total solar eclipse" for more than fifty years, he told attendees at a Zoom lecture hosted by the NorthEast-Millerton Library on Thursday, March 28; the result is that he has witnessed thirteen total eclipses in his life. Rao was chief meteorologist at News 12 in Westchester, New York, for 21 years and writes about astronomy for Natural History magazine and the Farmer's Almanac and Space.com. He is also an instructor and guest lecturer at Hayden Planetarium in New York.

Rao's lifelong fascination with the eclipse was inspired by his grandfather, who explained the phenomenon to him when Rao was just 7 years old, using his fist (the sun) and salt shaker (the moon) and pepper grinder (the earth) to

show how the moon moves to block the sun. This was in preparation for the 90% partial eclipse of July of 1963; Rao remembers witnessing the crescent image of the sun.

In July of 1972, Joe's grandfather drove Joe, his grandmother and other family members to a town in Canada called Cap-Chat on the Gaspé Peninsula, to see a total eclipse. Joe was able to see the corona around the moon's shadow at that eclipse.

He said at that eclipse, "I've got to see another one of these." He says he was "addicted" at that point.

There was a tour in 1977 that he and friend and fellow eclipse fanatic, Glenn Snyder organized to fund their own way to Columbia, South America. Their rickety old tour bus got stuck in mud. All twenty passengers pushed and freed the bus. They backtracked back to the original route and made it in time to see the total eclipse.

In 1979, he and Glenn organized another tour,

this time to Lewistown, Montana, and took eighty people. The morning of the eclipse, Joe, now a meteorologist, got word that cloud cover was coming to Lewistown. They all got on the bus, drove an hour to the east, and found a field, free of cloud cover. From there they could view the eclipse.

The year 1990 brought another eclipse. Rao got the idea of viewing it from an airplane. He contacted American Trans Air and asked them if flight 402 from Honolulu to San Francisco could be delayed forty-one minutes in order to intersect with the eclipse. They agreed. A further complication occurred when another plane got in front of them for takeoff. The delay would cost them the view of the eclipse, so the captain lowered the plane to another altitude and sped up. They got to view the eclipse.

In 1991, Rao was hired by a cruise ship to pick the best spot to view the eclipse for an eclipse cruise. The problem this time was

that a volcano which had erupted in the Philippines was causing a haze of volcanic ash. They were able to find a hole in the haze and cloud cover forty nautical miles away and the two cruise ships, filled with eclipse seekers, got to it in time.

Joe Rao was hired for another cruise in 1998 to view the eclipse near the island of Monserrat.

An eclipse near the North Pole in 2008 presented the problem of how to get to see it, until his friend Glenn Snyder was hired by the German airline, AirEvents/Deutsche Polarflug. This time it was Snyder who petitioned the airline to intersect the eclipse and got his friend Rao onboard. Rao wrote about the flight for Natural History magazine; "Shades of Glory" later won a prize from the American Astronomical Society.

In 2016, Joe convinced Alaska Airlines to delay a flight for twenty-five minutes to view the eclipse taking place that year seven hundred miles north of Honolulu.



PHOTO BY JOE RAO

In 2021, he and his wife, Renata journeyed to Antarctica to see the eclipse.

This time, Rao said he might go to Syracuse or Plattsburg for the eclipse of next Monday, April 8. He said this one is "knocking at our back door." He added, "Get in your car and travel up route I-87 north to Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Saratoga Springs or Montreal." He said it should be on "everyone's bucket list."

Those who do travel north should be aware there could be heavy traffic and delays.

Rao said for those who stay in this area on April 8, there will not be a total eclipse but about a 91 percent eclipse. The corona around the

sun will not be visible. The eclipse will begin around 2:12 in Millerton, with the "maximum effect" around 3:26 and it will be over by 4:37 in the afternoon. He said there will be a "counterfeit twilight and the sky will turn a dusky shade of blue."

To view the eclipse safely eclipse glasses are needed. Regular sunglasses are not safe and will not keep out ultraviolet and infrared light. The glasses should have a tag with an ISO number and be made of polymer or mylar.

Rhiannon Leo-Jameson, director of the North-East Millerton Library, said area residents could stop in the library for a pair of eclipse glasses.

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